

Kisatchie National Forest (KNF) 2015 – 2016 Hunting Dates

General

- Bag Limit: 1 deer of the appropriate sex per day up to the statewide seasonal limit of 6
- All deer hunting is still hunting only
- All deer must be tagged as required by Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Regulations
- LDWF WMA Regulations for hunter orange apply
- LDWF Youth Deer Hunt regulations apply for all KNF lands except that archery and open season small game hunting is allowed. (Excluding Fort Polk-Vernon WMA)
- See the 2015 – 16 Louisiana Hunting Regulations pamphlet for additional information

Archery:

- Vernon Unit of the Calcasieu Ranger District (Vernon Parish, excluding Fort Polk-Vernon WMA)
 - Sept. 19 – Jan. 15
- Catahoula Ranger District (Grant & Rapides Parish), Winn Ranger District (Winn, Grant & Natchitoches Parish), Kisatchie Ranger District (Natchitoches Parish), Evangeline Unit of the Calcasieu Ranger District (Rapides Parish) and the Caney Ranger District (Webster & Claiborne Parish)
 - Oct. 1 – Jan. 31 (including the National Catahoula and National Red Dirt Wildlife Management Preserves)

Firearms:

- Catahoula Ranger District (Grant & Rapides Parish), Winn Ranger District (Winn, Grant & Natchitoches Parish), Kisatchie Ranger District (Natchitoches Parish), Evangeline Unit of the Calcasieu Ranger District (Rapides Parish) and the Vernon Unit of the Calcasieu Ranger District (Vernon Parish, excluding Fort Polk-Vernon WMA)
 - Youth, either-sex: Oct. 10 – 11
 - Primitive Firearms, either-sex: Oct. 17 – 18
 - Firearms, either sex: Oct. 24 – 25 & Nov. 27
 - Firearms, bucks only: Oct. 30 – Nov. 26, Nov. 28 – Nov. 29 and Dec. 12 – 27
- Caney Ranger District (Webster & Claiborne Parish) Same as Area 2 Regulations including Youth and Primitive Seasons, still hunt only.

Other Species:

- Rabbit, Squirrel, Quail, Migratory Game Birds and Waterfowl: Same dates and bag limits as outside
 - EXCEPT, NO spring squirrel season on the KNF
 - EXCEPT, All waterfowl hunting ceases at 2 p.m.
- Feral Hogs, Coyotes, Armadillos & Beavers:
 - May be Taken during daylight hours on any KNF hunt by properly licensed hunters with the weapons legal for that hunt
- Raccoons, Opossum & Fox (chase only): Oct. 1 – Feb. 29 (See LA. Trapping Regulations for additional info. on trapping)
- Crows, Blackbirds, Grackles & Cowbirds: Sept. 1 – Jan. 1
- Turkey: Caney Ranger District: March 26 - April 10. All remaining KNF lands: March 26 - April 17. Youth Only: March 19-20 on all Ranger Districts (except Vernon Unit lands within Fort Polk-Vernon WMA).

Red Dirt and Catahoula National Wildlife Management Preserves (NWMP), see Season Permit for additional information:

- Youth & Physically Challenged, either-sex: Oct. 10 – 11
- Primitive Firearms, either-sex: Oct. 17 – 18
- Firearms, either-sex: Oct. 24 – 25 & Nov. 27
- Firearms, bucks only: Nov. 28 – Nov. 29
- Squirrel, Rabbit (with dogs) & Raccoon (nighttime with dogs): Jan. 9 – Feb. 29, Quail (with dogs): Nov. 14 – Feb. 29.
 - Hunting these animals is closed during the deer gun hunts.
- Self-clearing Daily Permit required on NWMP during deer gun hunts and turkey season